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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following new paragraph on page 1, after the title:

This application is the U.S. national phase of International PCT Application No. PCT/EP99/08073, filed October 26, 1999, which designated the United States. PCT/EP99/08073 claims priority of German Patent Application No. 29819060.5, filed October 26, 1998. The entire contents of these applications are herein incorporated by reference.